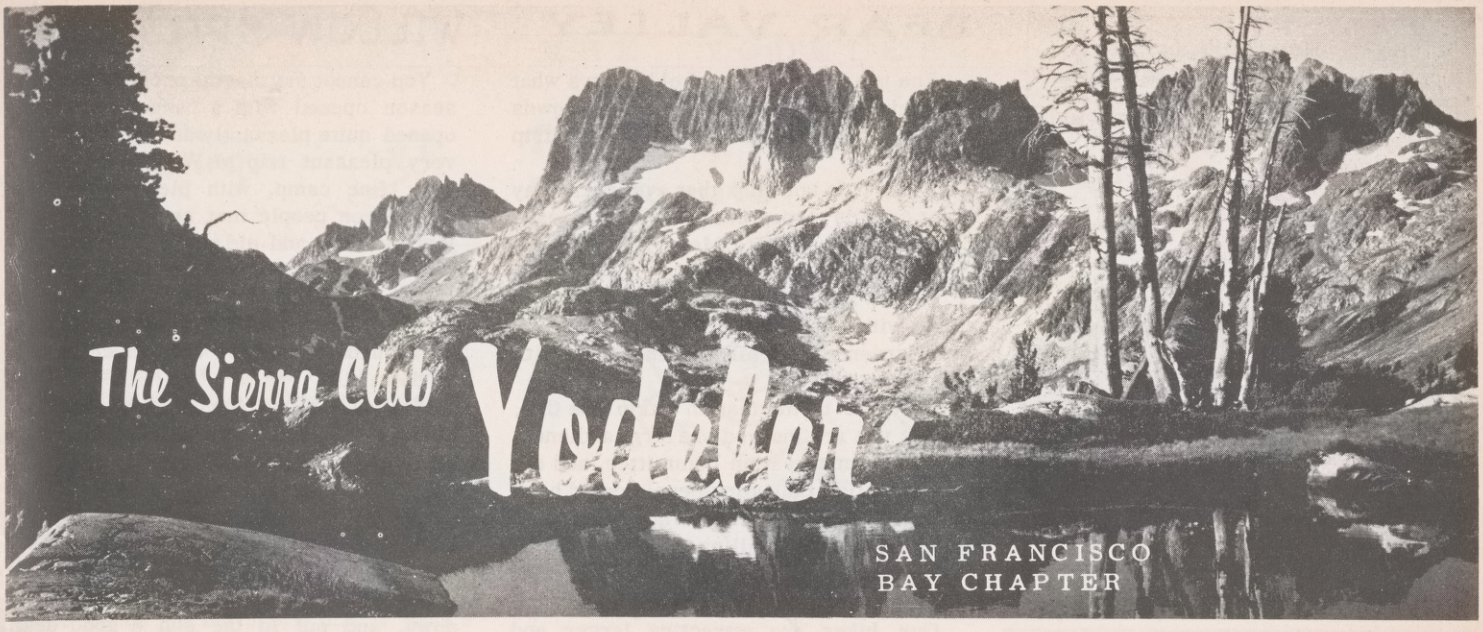

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CONSERVATION: LATE NEWS

Emerald Bay: The Senate concurrent resolution is still before the Assembly, action delayed pending study and budget estimates on the upper route to be made by the Highway Commission.

State Park Commission: The conflicting bills, AB 720 which reduces the Commission to an advisory body; and SB 363 which only streamlines present procedure, will be debated at a hearing before the Senate Committee on Transportation on Friday, April 10. No new Director of the Division of Beaches and Parks has been appointed at this date. Possibly the Governor would like to know what the Legislature will do in State Park matters—and vice-versa.

Highway 1, San Simeon section, suggested as a freeway in the State Highway plans, is still before the Highway Commission. Now is the time to get it removed. We know only too well from the look of Highway 101 north of San Francisco just what would happen to one of the world's most beautiful scenic routes if that part of the coast highway should stay in the freeway system.

SCIENCE IN THE WILDERNESS

In ten years the Wilderness Conference has grown from a few people meeting to discuss problems of the High Sierra into a large gathering of experts and lovers of wilderness from all parts of the United States. In the recent sixth Biennial Wilderness Conference, March 20-21, 1959, even Africa had an important place.

This time the scientists had their say on the use and place of wilderness in the modern world, its value as a control and standard by which to measure changes on the earth. One of these experts was Dr. Luna B. Leopold, chief hydraulic engineer of the U.S. Geological Survey and brother of our Director Starker Leopold. He described the use of wilderness in measuring long term changes in climate and rainfall. Checking stations are located on the rivers which run from wilderness areas so that minute changes in the flow over a period of many years can be measured. Areas which have been disturbed by man, logging, mining, road making, will not give results which mean anything to the hydrologist, only wilderness gives the necessary standard of comparison. One might call it the importance of Non-Use.

Professor Stanley A. Cain, Department of Conservation, University of Michigan, had definite ideas on the research programs the Park Service could do but is not doing. We do not know what is actually living in particular areas. We need ecological maps. We should know why certain things are rare, and how to take care of them. Dr. Cain had some good advice for wilderness lovers. Don't apologize for it, or concentrate on economic value where spiritual value is the reality. Of course few people use it; so do few people use the Library of Congress compared to the Rose Bowl stadium. And as for money value,

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This issue is being mailed to all SF Bay Chapter members. If you are not a subscriber already, consider this a complimentary copy, and note that you can subscribe one year for $2. If you take any interest in the club's activities, you will be lost without our news of past and coming events, and coverage along all lines of interest to club members.

WE NEED YOUR HELP, FRIENDS

Schedule mailing nite, Tuesday April 14, Club Office, 7:30 p.m.

BURST

They said it couldn't be done without Phyllis Lindley along, and it wasn't. That was the 1959 snowshoe attempt on Burst Rock, March 21-22. The party, a very congenial twelve, proceeded along Dodge Ridge in weather and outlook that was strictly from Kodachrome, and made camp at a spot with a commanding view of Yosemite and some mountainous peaks. The wind was unobstructed too. Two of the party proceeded 25 minutes (with full packs) further up the ridge to a point where there was no place to go but down. Burst Rock did not obviously present itself.

Most of the group travelled most of the time without wearing snowshoes. Three never had their snowshoes on at all. One wore his almost the entire trip. There was an interesting variety of tents, but the snuggest shelter, dug into the snow, was made by Doug Peterson, Tom Gibson and Rex Smith, who later in the evening delivered to each person a portion of fresh-made popcorn, warm yet. Speaking of tents, why would a woman carry a two-man tent?

Sunday was overcast, and the trek out was embellished with short flurries of you-name-it. This trip was a very successful failure; we wish they were all as good as this.

Burst Rock: The last word is in Bunnelle's Guide to the Low Sierra (Vol. I: Dodge Ridge):

"Burst Rock. Class 1. Drive to Gianelli. Walk up."

—Ted Freeman

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Conservation (Cont.)

one can count up the cost of a wife, but not her value! Far more people appreciate wilderness than ever get physically into it and even the tourist in his car has a touch of Nature in his heart.

Overshadowing all the problems is the impact of humanity on the few remaining natural areas. Dr. Raymond B. Cowles, Professor of Zoology, UCLA, spoke of the effect of the world's exploding population. Someone counted the people on Southern California beaches on a warm holiday. Excluding military reservations, they would stretch in a 200 mile unbroken line from Ventura to the Mexican border—two and a half feet apart. Discussion brought out both pessimistic and optimistic views. Will there be a gradual crumbling of wilderness resources, or will a growing scarcity bring more determined protection? Who would now dare to suggest abandoning Golden Gate Park to the subdivider?

Dr. F. F. Darling of Edinburgh University brought wild Africa very close to us in a fascinating talk on the interdependence of human, animal and plant life and the effect of rapid change from the hunting to the agricultural community. The importance of the great beasts, elephant and hippopotamus, as pathmakers through the jungle and the swamps round the water holes, was news to most of us. The tragic disruption of the ecology and degeneration of the soil which follows too frequent use of fire for clearing land, and the effect of riverside farming which keeps animals from their summer waterholes, are a few of the problems which confront Africa today.

—CMC

HOSPITALITY ARRANGEMENTS
for the Board and Council meetings are being handled by Mrs. Ned Robinson, 1215 Financial Center Bldg., Oakland, TEmplebar 2-5373

BEAR VALLEY

You hear from the real old timers what the ferry boat days, and the large crowds of hiking folk, who used to come on the trip of old.

Well, I do not think that even ferry day boat crowds topped this one that met leaders Adolph and Pete Meyer, 204, Adolph thinks was the grand total.

Bear Valley is a very lovely place to hike, with lovely fir forest, beautiful meadows, green rolling hills, a fine beach with a fine waterfall.

It seems to me that on a trip like this, where you are insured of a large audience, that the conservation committee, and the Conservation Education people could have an occasional exhibit. Who knows, you might find a few willing hands in a group like this who would be glad to help in conservation projects if they knew about them.

Our hikes are attracting larger and larger groups; we hope not 204, but they run way over fifty, and maybe in a clever tactical way, these trips could be exploited for the good of the Sierra Club.

—Dick Monges

"LAND of the STANDING ROCKS"—E.B. Dinner Apr. 22

A trip by jeep and on foot into the rugged and little known back country of southern Utah will be presented by way of slides and narration at the East Bay Dinner gathering at Willard Junior High School cafeteria in Berkeley on April 22. Dr. William L. Thompson of Richmond, who has spent much time exploring this fascinating region and photographing it, will be the speaker. "LAND OF THE STANDING ROCKS" is a program you will not want to miss.

For dinner reservations call Jay and Maxine Hill, ELgin 1-2208, before 10 p.m. on Monday, April 20. For those who cannot be there for dinner, the program will start at 7:30 p.m.

PREVIEW OF SUMMER OUTINGS

Be sure to see the next issue of Yodeler for an announcement of place and time.

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WILLOW SPRINGS

You cannot say that the present knapsack season opened with a bang, however, it opened quite pleasantly and quietly with a very pleasant trip to Willow Springs, a very fine camp, with plenty of water.

Nineteen people met new leader Marjorie Dennis and old timer Dick Monges. The walk along Willow Spring in spite of 14 major stream crossings, and 5 minor ones proved to be most pleasant, the trail well shaded, and not very much up hill or down hill.

We had a very pleasant time in having dinner around the one stove, after Walt De Rome fixed it.

Willow Springs is the easiest trip we have had. I have led many beginning trips, Pine Valley, a beautiful place, but it is six miles downhill, without much water on the trail, also Lost Valley which is up and down, and out in the sun a good deal.

So I recommend that the Outings Committee make Willow Spring, an easy five miles with little climbing and plenty of shade and water, in the official beginners trip.

—Dick Monges

VITAL STATISTICS

Rich and Mary Whitehead announce a sister for their Tina, Sara Tamsen, who arrived 3 February, 1959 for an extended stay with her parents. Tamsie was named after Mrs. Tamsen Donner, a remarkable woman of great strength and fortitude in the 1846 Donner Party. The sisters want to join the club—they both love the out-of-doors.

Bob and Jane (Allen) Jenny announce their recent marriage, which may have been omitted from Yodeler columns in error. Now that we printed it, it's official!

Watch the next issue for more startling statistics.

ARTOGRAPHY

This means art-in-photography. Alexander Weygers, not a photographer per se, but an interpreter, is bringing his exceptional illustrated lecture on Tide Pools and Beaches to the Academy of Sciences, Golden Gate Park, April 23, 8:15 p.m.—$1. Call TUxedo 5-0949 for further information.

MAZAMAS Trail Trips

If you're interested in a family of Three Sisters, Husband, Wife, Little Brother, and Broken Top, all of which are Oregon mountains, the Mazamas invite you (for $30) to join an 8-day hike (starting July 25) in Oregon wilderness areas. Reservation requested by May 15. For more info, write Helen Wirtanen, 1905 Park Avenue, Portland 1, Oregon. Real eager beavers may phone CApitol 2-3503 evenings.

River Touring Section

Congratulations are in order for Elaine Barron and Doug Simpson. They became engaged a few weeks ago and told us about it on the beach at Aquatic Park. As soon as they find their house they will be married. Wonderful news!

The group which met at Aquatic Park in San Francisco on Sunday, March 29, belonged to the "Polar Bear Club". The wind was strong and the water was cold, but the sun was warm. Those folks with wet suits were somewhat protected and told those of us on the shore that it wasn't cold. About thirty people showed up for this event. Glenn and Barbara had their new plastic boats to try out.

On the weekend of April 4-5, about thirty people enjoyed some part of the trip on the Russian River just above Cloverdale. This early spring trip usually does draw a large crowd, and this year was no exception. On Saturday, nine boats, including a covered double canoe, made the run from below Squaw Rock Slide to near Cloverdale—an intermediate run. On Sunday, approximately 18 boats with more than 20 people made a run from above Hopland to Squaw Rock Slide. The water was very low this year, but several beginners found out that they could still swim. All in all, it was a very pleasant weekend.

IMPORTANT. The deadline for Owhyhee trip reservations is April 14, our April meeting night. Contact Byrce Whitmore by this time. His phones are: home, BEacon 4-3752, work, LAndscape 5-1188. A $25 deposit is necessary for this trip and cannot be refunded unless you can get someone to take your place on the trip.

At our next meeting on April 14, a color and sound film on a canoe and camping trip on Quetico Park in Canada will be shown. This film also includes some good shots of Upper Michigan. Hope to see you there.

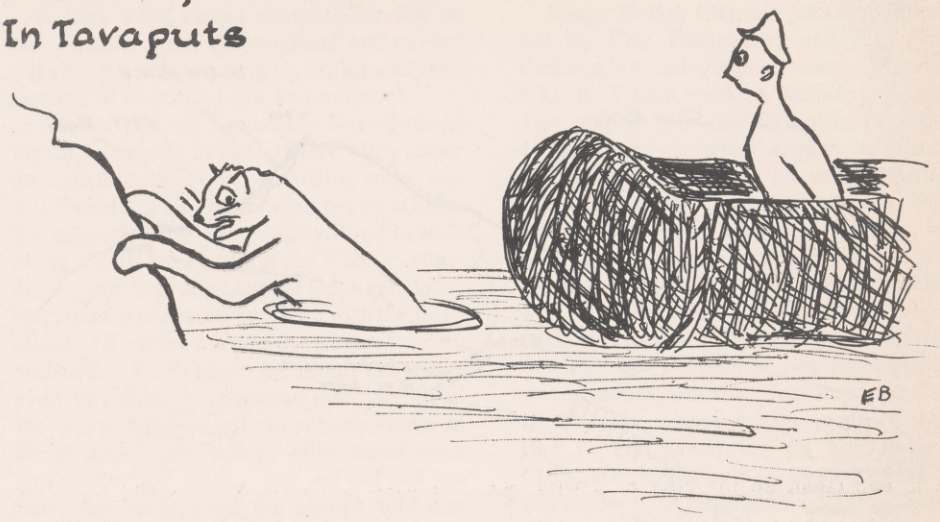
—Elinor Ridge & Bob Hawley

Some large River Touring photos on exhibit at the 1958 annual dinner have disappeared. If anyone knows where these are please contact Glen Gaumer or the photographer, Red Cockerline.

FOR SALE: Single Hammer fold boat, with or without surfing bow piece. Don Golden, OLympic 3-6617

FOR SALE: New 14'6" neoprene boat, CO2 inflatable. Takes up to 12 h.p. outboard, $169. Peter Lo Bianco, MIssion 8-4441, 301 Graystone Terrace, S.F.

The Lucky Thirteen In Tavaputs



A cheery "Merry Christmas" from Betty Hopfer greeted us one morning of Easter week; we three Elliotts (including our fifteen-year-old Bob) poked our heads out of our tent to see a beautiful sight: snow-covered trees high up on the dark red Utah cliffs across the Green River from our campsite at Flat Creek. We hope ace photographer O. E. "Hop" Hopfer recorded this item for posterity!

In spite of unexpected rain and morning temperatures close to freezing, the "lucky thirteen" were shown a most delightful scouting trip by our host, Don Hatch of the Hatch River Expeditions, and his amiable helper, Bruce Lium. We spent three and a half days exploring the Green from just below Ouray to just above Green River City, 114 river miles of magnificence, with the thought of a possible 1960 outing for those who have seen the Green through Dinosaur or Glen Canyon and wish to complete another segment of Major Powell's famous exploit.

Peace and quiet and wildlife were outstanding. Herds of deer, as many as twenty-four in one group, were everywhere. Amusing was our encounter with an honest-to-goodness mountain lion, so anxious to get away from us on our big raft, that she swam the river ahead of us, clambering up the side of the bank to reach safety.

New to river touring were Lou Henrich, Dottie Bohlman, Barbara Schill, and Helen Callbeck but they soon realized with old-timers Lloyd Demrick and Nina Eloesser why we travel 1878 miles to see 144—just one moment of beauty such as the full moon shining on the quiet river and on joyous campfire-lit faces lifted in song to marvel at the jagged skyline presented in silhouette by towers of stone.

—Lou and Claire Elliott

Wanted

Burro Trippers in Reverse. I am arriving in Tuolumne Meadows August 15 with 3 burros from Florence Lake. I can move your car from Tuolumne to Florence, thus enabling your party ot travel half the length of the Muir Trail, without transportation or stock return problems. C. Hugenberger, 23481 Nevada Rd., Hayward, LUcerne 1-0692 after 5:30 and weekends.

For Sale

German-made Retina IIIC in case, haze filter, longar (telephoto) lens and finder. All for $125. Jim Barbour, PRospect 6-4200 (days), EVergreen 6-6083 (evenings).

Santa Lucia Mountains

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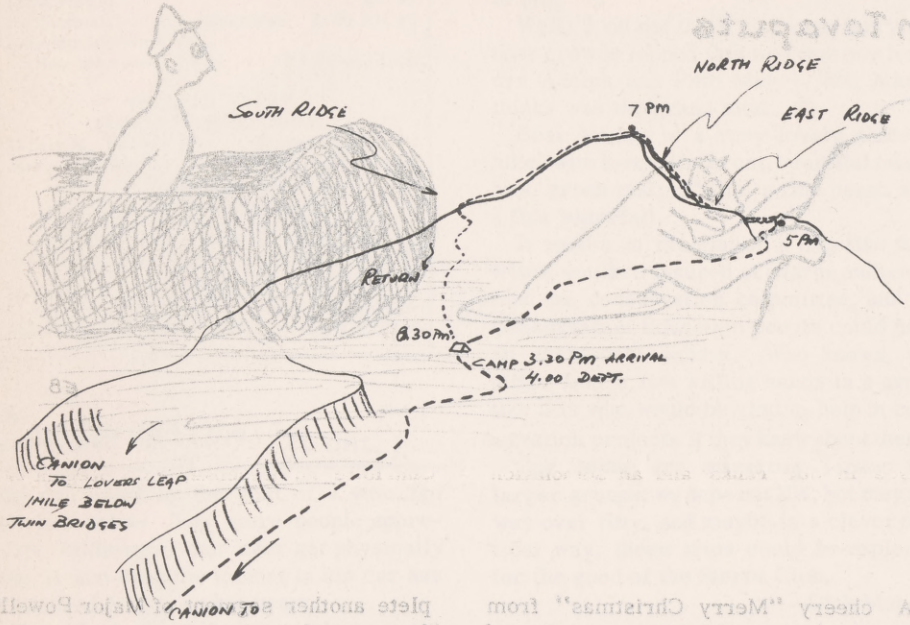
Joe Wampler, Box 45, Berkeley 1, Calif.

For Sale

Tent, 2-man, element cloth, 4 lb. Mosquito netting, zippers, aluminum stakes and poles. Adequate for 2, but better for 1. Used very little. $24. Dave & Audrey Rothkop, MArket 3-3162.



Ice Climbing on Pyramid Peak on March 14

The party of Aruas & Ruth Sotaru, Hugo Viedaman, Rodger Griffith, Madlain Erich and Ernie Carter left Twin Bridges at 5:45 a.m., ascending thru Horse Tail Fall Canyon. Snow was scarce at first and frozen hard, the weather clear and cold. At approximately 6500 feet Ruth Sotaru was suddenly overcome by sickness, fever, and chills caused possibly by flu and was conveyed back to Twin Bridges by her husband Aruas. He assured us that she could drive to friend at Lake Tahoe and Aruas returned to where the rest of the party waited at approximately 7 a.m.

Though it got warm fast we ascended over hard snow, carrying 45 pounds (men only) and skis (not used) following the ridge, passed the falls, arriving at 3 p.m. at the campsite below Pyramid Peak. After refreshing ourselves Rodger Griffith and myself set out to contemplate the North Ridge.

We traversed under the peak, gaining the ridge at the farthest point North of Pyramid about 5. There was no wind, clear sky, and hard frozen snow.

We climbed along the ridge toward the beginning of the steep summit ridge, using rope and crampons as well as ice axes. The ridge is sharply formed and exposed on both sides.

At 6 p.m. we stood at the beginning of the steep "Grat" (Ridge). It was getting dark and after discussing the climb with Rodger, who was most eager to try it, I started up with Rodger belaying.

This part is steep, exposed, and care was taken to keep on belay at all times. My 12-point crampons worked well and the rest was mostly ice-axe work. We overcame a rock-band about 600 feet below the peak. Care had to be taken because of loose boulders imbedded in the surface. Then we went onto the ice and the edge and followed it to the peak, the last 200 feet by moonlight.

We returned over the easy South Ridge to the camp, guided by a flashlight which Aruas had placed in the snow, arriving at camp about 8:30 p.m.

Next day our party ascended the South Ridge to the peak, returning to camp at noon, and back at Twin Bridges by 4:30. The climb over the North Ridge gives excellent crampon and ice-axe work as well as a nice thrill of exposed climbing. It can only be done that way after a long period of clear weather, when snow has turned to ice. I would not recommend climbing there when snow has piled in after storms as I saw evidence of an avalanche. (The late hour with final moonlight may have been an advantage in this respect—Neal Anderson). In weather conditions which I call perfect, as in our case, crampons and ice axes are a must. We also used a 120 foot nylon rope.

—Ernest Carter

CTL NEWS

March 14-15 Chief complaint for this weekend was sunshine—too much! It was also lodge committee meeting. One of the chief topics of discussion was the need for tourers, whether skiers, snowshoers, or hikers, to sign out and sign back in afterwards. A couple of weeks previous to this, the ski patrol spent half the night hunting for a lost tourer who was later found at home in San Francisco. Good news for summer CTL'ers—rates, though they will be simplified, will remain essentially the same. A questionnaire concerning Olympic reservations at CTL will appear in the Bulletin shortly—watch for it. Sunday the rope suffered from breakitis, but the hardy ones skied anyway, others enjoyed the beneficial rays of papa sun. A p.s. to this weekend: there seems to be a group of rather dishonest persons who go about the parking lots, fleecing cars—therefore, leave nothing in your car that you wish to keep!

March 21-22 The Bill Freitas Memorial Giant Slalom was held Saturday at the Sugar Bowl and Sierra Club #1 won, as we might have expected. The race itself was not too difficult, but the snow changed consistency about three times—finally got some new snow, too. Jerry and numerous helpers spliced a new rope into place in anticipation of a heavy Easter week. Snow fell intermittently on Sunday and steadily to 3500 feet on Monday; unfortunately, it rained Tuesday and the sun is again with us. People in the news: Betty Klevesahl and Jim McCracken were married in Berkeley on February 28. Harriet Tyson will be greeting injured skiers at Tahoe-Forest Hospital, ready to apply one of those technicolor casts.

Ski Patrol March 23 The patrol meeting was held at Jean Kearney's house in San Francisco. Guest speaker was Dr. William Murray, orthopedist on the staff at UC (he also skies). He gave us many interesting points on improving our care of injuries on the hill and in the first aid room. Next patrol meeting will be held in conjunction with the patrol jamboree to be held on Signal Hill, April 11-12. Any and all interested parties are invited to attend—practice toboggan handling, first aid and share ideas—all in preparation for the Regional Championships to be held at China Peak on April 25-26. Warren Miller will be there to take movies for next year's film.

LAST CALL—NEW MEMBERS' PARTY—Tuesday April 14, 7:30 p.m., 3rd floor, 220 Bush St., S.F. Information and refreshments.

EASTER WEEK 1959

After 28 days without snow, which resulted in a bit of pre-season spring skiing, the Sierra Club's Lodge on Highway 40 was pelted with some of that ever-lovin' snow. The skiers' delight, Easter Week, was ushered in with a few feet of very nice, skiable, new snow. Clair Tappan welcomed her brood of Winter sportsmen to the tune of a solidly packed house for the entire week. Never has the lodge seen such a co-operative group. Linda Long, the hostess for the Easter Week, did a wonderful job co-ordinating the available man-power into an efficient machine which ran smoothly throughout the week.

Since the younger set was in majority, the programs of recreation included the annual Chinook Race, dedicated to the memory of that wonderful ski-bum, Chinook. Rudy Talso was on hand to announce the winners (listed below), as were a number of Chinook's sons hitched to the sled and doing a good job of what Samoyeds have been bred to do for generations. We're sure Chinook would have approved of both his pups and his race.

Barbie Chestnut produced and directed a talent show which featured folk songs to guitar accompaniment, two recorders in harmony, a bit of dancing, and a general good time for all involved, spectators and players alike.

The snow conditions by this time had become a bit faster due to the many peopled pack, and our rope tow at Signal Hill held up admirably under the nursing and understanding of Jerry Fisher.

Dr. Richard Linstrum, besides being a remarkable master of ceremonies, announced his marriage to Helen Ley on January 24 of this year. Best of all from all!

The annual Clair Tappan Lost and Found Auction was spieled by that humorous Bernie Bloom. Skis to pajamas to tents brought $53 under the gavel towards folk dance records, library books and general recreational items used in the Lodge. Good bargains and a barrel of laughs.

Easter Sunday saw a meal par excellence by our incomparable cook, Miss Diane Clayton—ham, sweet potatoes and the trimmings, served the day its just due. And with that meal firmly, but comfortably in both self and memory, each holiday skier reluctantly turned toward his home to rest up and anticipate a repeat performance next year. It was a happy Easter at Clair Tappan.

Monsier Roger Paris and his lively wife Jackie and her bikini are soon to be off on a tour of Europe. After a successful year instructing at Clair Tappan, they look forward to skiing, mountaineering, and kyaking on the continent. We look forward to having them back again next year. Bon Voyage.

Trails & Tribulations

A lone 52 of us (as compared to 200 on the Bolinas Trip the weekend before) set out the day after spring to explore a large section of Marin's hills and vales.

We started for Tennessee Cove outside the little church in Tamalpais Valley under an unpredictable sky of rolling white and immovable gray clouds with peeks of blue. We ascended the Tam Valley Road to walk along a cliff overlooking the Pacific studded by our terraced City of San Francisco. Horizons were wide and deep with the Farallons 18 miles across the ocean sharply outlined. For closer focusing, the wide-eyed gay mallow abounded over the hills. We scrambled in all directions down to Muir Beach for lunch, with some near losses in our ranks and an admonition from the leaders on the return trip that we all try to stick together.

Frank Valley in the spring is a tour through an art gallery of pastoral scenes, only this was the real thing. We meandered into Muir Woods just as those gray clouds loosened and had a warming cup of coffee for the climb up the Ocean View trail and over the highway and down into Mill Valley and home. In our haste to get out of the rain on the descent down we took a narrow deer trail which was cozily sheltered by overhanging branches, but found it lead to nowhere and just had to hoof it back a quarter of a mile to Pipeline Trail. At the end of the trail the famous stairway which leads into Mill Valley was slick, and though we were tired and wet we all trod it without a slip into Mill Valley.

—Mathilda Seliger

TITLED ?

About 25 Bay Chapter junior members, led by Phil Faulconer, and with Emily Hatfield as tail-gunner, went for a short hike in Tilden Park on Saturday, April 4, The group left the Brazilian Room at 10 a.m. and returned around 2. During the lunch stop, a short "business meeting" was held, at which nominations were made for an Advisory Committee of five, who will help plan and organize Sierra Club Youth Program activities. This Committee will be elected by ballots which will be sent out with a Scypper roster sometime in May. IMPORTANT: Not enough people were nominated for this important job. If there is someone who you feel would like to run, send his or her name to Charlotte E. Leschke, 2829 Regent St., Berkeley 5. Candidates must be Sierra Club members, ages 14-18. Self-nominations welcomed.

You have undoubtedly noticed our rather original title. We hope, soon, to have a less original and more appropriate one. If you have any bright ideas for a masthead for what we hope will be a regular SCYP column, please send them to Charlotte Leschke (address above) as soon as possible. A prize of one FREE YODELER SUBSCRIPTION will be awarded to the winner.

If any of you reading this article, or any of your friends, are junior members between the ages of 14 and 18, of the Bay Chapter, and did not receive notices of the March SCYP meeting, your name was probably overlooked when we made out the mailing list. In that case, please let us know immediately, so you won't miss out on anything important.

One last word to any adults, young or young-at-heart, who are interested in SCYP activities. . .if you would like to act as leader, provider of much needed transportation, mailing or telephone chairman, or filler-of-odd jobs, WE NEED YOU. Contact Charlotte Leschke or Ned Robinson, and watch the Yodeler for future SCYP activities. —Charlotte Leschke

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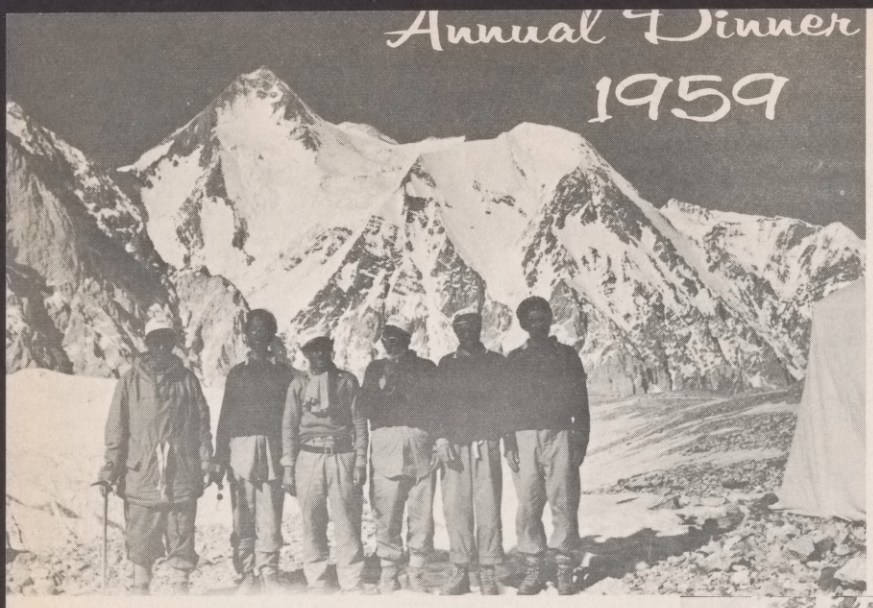
18' Grade A Oldtown Canoe with Sponsons, unsinkable and difficult to tip. 43" beam, 12-1/2" deep, special color design. Fitted with mast seat, rudder, lee boards, 55 sq. yd. Lateen sail, 2 carrying yokes, double width slat back rest, 1 folding mahogany-cane chair, half ribs installed for extra strength, bang plate full length of keel, painter ring, outboard motor bracket, 3 copper tipped maple paddles, car top carrying equipment. An ideal combination for paddling, sailing or motor boating on mountain lakes and the more placid streams. Rugged enough to handle Glen Canyon trip on the Colorado River. This outfit used only 3 times, is in top condition, and represents a $500 retail value new. For a quick cash sale will sacrifice for $250. O. E. HOPFER, 1872 Brentwood Rd., Oakland, Telephone ANdover 1-5737.



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Dust off Your Christmas Mailing List

A new wrinkle in the all-important job of making it known where you stand on crucial issues involving your favorite camping and wilderness areas are the "fact sheets" being prepared by several individuals who are members of the Bay Chapter. Each sheet (one page) deals with one issue.

The purpose of all this, of course, is to provide YOU, the letter writer, with all the facts necessary to write your own letter, BUT MORE IMPORTANT, to encourage you to dust off that Christmas list, and send—with a personal note from you—a copy of the fact sheet to your friends (naturally those you suspect of leaning in the correct direction!). This is a chain-reaction idea, and we hope you will be an important LINK in this chain.

The following "fact sheets" are ready and may be obtained by dropping postcard to Mr. Holly Jones, 6318 Thornhill Drive, Oakland 11, filling in the "coupon" below and pasting it on the back of a postcard, or phoning him at OLympic 2-7850:

Please send copies of each fact sheet checked below. . .

( ) HIGHWAYS OR STATE PARKS AT TAHOE? (SB 146, 147; SCR 13)
( ) KEEP YOUR VOICE IN STATE PARK AFFAIRS! (SB 363)
( ) FREEWAYS, YES ... BUT WHERE? (SB 480) (San Simeon Highway)

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The Sierra Club

Don't Miss This!

April 20 is the deadline for making reservations for the 1959 Annual Banquet, to be held Saturday, April 25, at The Village, Columbus Avenue and Lombard Street, San Francisco.

Guest speaker will be Bob Swift, a member of the 1958 American Karakoram Expedition. Don't miss Bob's account of the greatest American mountain conquest, the climb of Hidden Peak (Gasherbrum I), 26,470 feet! Bob will illustrate his talk with slides and movies.

Other members of the expedition will join us for the evening, as will many prominent Sierra Clubbers -- directors and officers. Meet them and your friends at this popular annual event! A social hour from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Crown Room will precede the dinner. Dress is informal.

No tickets will be sold at the door. Send $4.00 per person with stamped, addressed envelope immediately to Banquet Chairman, Claudia Owen, 3555 Jackson Street, San Francisco 18. Make check payable to Sierra Club Banquet. Reservations are pouring in and seating capacity is 600! Don't delay -- mail yours today!

PARKING CONDITIONS:
Curb parking is quite easy after 5 p.m. The Richfield and the Signal Service Stations -- across the street -- will park cars for a reasonable fee. Around the corner is a new Safeway Store with a large parking lot.